

you would ~~across~~ know the old place.  
If you were to come back, but I don't ~~think~~  
you have any inclination to do that after  
living in the land of peace and plenty  
that was in ~~the~~ Ireland is a dreadful thing  
as many of our English men ~~will~~ <sup>say</sup> ~~you~~  
it will make a bad job before it is over  
and our dear friends & family think  
I have told you all the news this time.  
I don't to hear from you soon all  
the while people desire to be kindly  
remembered to you all, Mrs. & Miss Davis  
Father & Mother and myself send our  
kind loves to you both John and Fred  
and your Daughters and Mary & Anne.

Yours truly  
Your friend

Good bye & good bless you all  
I don't to write to Henry Dear  
I & Mary also I have told you all the  
news she got nothing to write about. So you  
must excuse her

William Martin is still better for us  
but he speaks very fast. We hope soon  
now we have gone up the farm, at Boston  
knows farming has not lived in that country  
for the last three or four years every thing  
is so cheap 'barn & hay' and labour is dear  
that you can scarcely get a living we did  
not have a very good harvest last year but  
potatoes did not go off quite so bad with  
the disease but they don't eat well at all  
not a bit like they used to is yours good in  
your country we had no fruit at all last  
year. I hope we shall get some this year  
want some warm sunshine to bring them  
on but nothing don't grow it is so cold  
some people say we shan't have it any  
before the the turn of the way if so it will  
make it very bad for us. Dear friends we  
don't know whether your father is in ~~the~~  
now or not we never hear anything of him  
your brother Richard lives in ~~the~~  
the last time I seen him he was got  
very feeble and went very forward, your  
father still lives there Mrs. Bowman one of